

REMARKS

In the Office Action Claims 1 to 14 are restricted into Group I: Fig. 3a, 3b, 3c; and Group II Fig. 5 - an election of species is required. The Applicant elects Group I Fig. 3a, 3b, 3c; Claims 1, 2, 4, 8 and 10 for prosecution.

5 In the Office Action Claims 1, 2, 4, 8 and 10 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. Claims 1, 2, 4, 8 and 10 have been cancelled thereby rendering this rejection to the Claims moot. Claims 1, 2, 4, 8 and 10 stand rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by US Patent Number 5,251,101 issued to Haberstroh. Claims 1, 2, 4, 8 and 10 have been cancelled 10 thereby rendering this rejection to the Claims moot.

THE CITED HABERSTROH PATENT

US Patent Number 5,251,103 issued to Haberstroh on October 5, 1993 discloses a holder for electronic components. The holder is substantially rectangular with a connection socket disposed on one of its long sides. Further, the 15 holder has a double S-shaped flange mounted on one short side and a connection tab mounted on the other short side.

COMPARISON OF THE CLAIMED INVENTION TO THE HABERSTROH PATENT

The Applicant's new independent Claim 15 clearly recites a substantially 20 rectangular housing with one short side sloped towards the other short side. Each long side has an aperture-perforated flange outwardly extending therefrom. This

particular structural detail does not exist anywhere in the Haberstroh patent.

The Applicant respectfully reminds the Examiner that under 35 U.S.C 102(b) the cited reference must teach every aspect of the Claimed invention. In this particular instance, the Haberstroh patent discloses a double S-shaped flange mounted on one short side of the rectangular holder. The Applicant's flanges are linear and are mounted to both long sides of the rectangular housing.

In view of the foregoing amendment to the claims, and associated remarks, Applicant respectfully submits that the independent Claim is presently in proper condition for allowance and it follows that the respective dependent Claim is also allowable. Applicant requests the Examiner to pass this case to issue. If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephone conference would expedite the issuance of this application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned Agent.

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